MR. I. C. CHACKO: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The work has been ordered to lie over due to prohibitive cost.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know the reason why the work has been ordered to lie over at present?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: The cost of the work has been estimated to be Rs. 50,000 and it is not possible to find the required funds this year.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know the nature of the work proposed by the department?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: The work consists in the clearing of the bed of the Thodu, the construction on both sides of masonry parapet walls covering the same with R. C. slabs etc.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know the cost of constructing parapet walls on both sides?

MR. I. C. CHACKO: About 10,000 rupees.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: May I know whether Government would be pleased to sanction this amount for the construction of the parapet walls?

PRESIDENT: That is a matter for future action.

Sachivottama Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar Shashtiabdapoorthy Memorial Ward, Quilon.

72. *MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Quilon* cum *Kottarakara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the date of opening of the Sachivottama Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar Shashtiabdapoorthy Memorial Ward of the Quilon District Hospital;

(*b*) whether the said ward is being used for the purpose of its dedication; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the negative, the reason why?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: (*a*) The building was handed over to Government on the 14th Makarom 1116.

(*b*) The building has not yet begun to be used as a Ward.

(*c*) Certain structural alterations are required. Sanitary arrangements have to be provided and kitchens have also to be built.

MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI: May I know whether any arrangements have been made to complete the works mentioned in part (*c*) of the answer?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA G. PARAMESWARAN PILLAI: Yes, Sir. Estimates are ready and they will be sanctioned very soon.

Service rendered by the Transport Department to the Anchal Department.

73. *MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: Will the Government be pleased to state:

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